

Psalms

Psalm 4

Message: The victories of sinners are only temporary and meaningless, and only repentance can bring true happiness. It is a request to God for deliverance from past distresses. God is our trust. The joy and peace of God's people is rooted in God, not their circumstances.

Psalm 5

Message: it reflects how the righteous man prays for deliverance not only for freedom from suffering, but to allow himself to serve God without distraction. A Prayer for Guidance.

1. The importance of prayer and the acknowledgment of pain.
2. Power of praise and fulfillment of prophecy.
3. Prayer book for God's people as they wait for the arrival of the messiah and the fulfillment of God's promises.

Psalm 6

Message: He that was groaning and weeping and giving up all for gone, here looks and speaks very pleasantly. Having made his request known to God and lodged his case with him, he is very confident the issue will be good, and his sorrow is turned into joy.

Psalm 43

Message: teaches us that God can vindicate and rescue his people and that God is both the stronghold of His people and capable of rejecting them. ultimately Psalm 43 is a firm reminder that God is a personal God (my joy, my delight, my God) and worthy of worship.

1. An earnest appeal to God to assist the suffering authori, and to protect him from the efforts of an ungodly nation, and from the designs of the deceitful and unjust man.
2. An appeal to God as his strength, with the language of anxious inquiry why he had cast him off, and had suffered him to go mourning because of the oppression of his enemy.
3. An earnest prayer that God would interpose and would send out his light and his truth and would permit him to go again to his holy hill, to the tabernacles, and to the altar.
4. As in Psalms 42:5, Psalms 42:11, self-reproach that he is thus dejected and dispirited, and an appeal to his own soul to arouse itself and to put its trust in God. It is a Psalm, like the former, of great practical value to those who in affliction, are sad and desponding.